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ARTICLES OF MANUFACTURE

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Sir:

**COMMUNICATION IN RESPONSE TO MARCH 5,
2004 NOTICE TO FILE MISSING PARTS OF NONPROVISIONAL
APPLICATION AND PETITION FOR A FIVE-MONTH EXTENSION OF TIME**

This Communication is submitted in response to a March 5, 2004 Notice to File Missing Parts of Nonprovisional Application issued by the United States Patent and Trademark Office in connection with the above-identified application. The Notice, a copy of which is attached hereto as **Exhibit 1**, provides a period of two months for filing a response. Therefore, a response was originally due on May 5, 2004. Applicants hereby petition for a five-month extension under the provisions of 37 C.F.R. §1.136(a). The required fee is \$1040.00 and a check including that amount is enclosed. With a five-month extension, a response to the March 5, 2004 Notice is due October 5, 2004. Accordingly, this Communication is being timely filed.

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